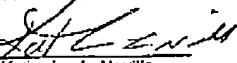


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In re Application of: Alitalo et al

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PROTEIN TO PREVENT RESTENOSIS

**PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.48(B)**

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Dear Sir:

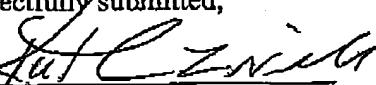
Applicants hereby petition, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.48(b), to have MARC G. ACHEN, deleted as an inventor in the above-identified application.

Applicants submit that through the course of prosecution of the above application, the inventor Marc Achen's invention is no longer being claimed in the application.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee of \$130, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(i), to Marshall, Gerstein & Borun, LLP Deposit Account No. 13-2855.

Dated: February 23, 2005

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